

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A gas bag for a lateral collision protection device has at least one protection chamber which serves to cushion a vehicle occupant in the filled state. The gas bag is filled such as to protect the occupant over a relatively long period of time, without, however, being an obstacle to the rescue of an occupant. For this purpose, the gas bag has an overflow chamber in which a run-off opening is provided, the overflow chamber being connected to the protection chamber via an overflow line.